

The President declared a major disaster exists in the State of Alabama and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms, tornadoes, and flooding, February 15–20.

The President announced his intention to nominate Patrick Nickolas Theros, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service and class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador to the State of Qatar.

The President announced his intention to nominate A. Peter Burleigh, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service and class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka as well as to the Republic of Maldives.

The President announced his intention to appoint Frederick Calhoun James and Huel D. Perkins to the President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities.

The President announced his intention to appoint Helen Roth to the Advisory Committee to the White House Conference on Aging.

The President announced his intention to reappoint the following members of the Board of Directors of the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation:

- Senator Dennis DeConcini;
- Jerry M. Hultin;
- James B. Nutter;
- Harriet Woods.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

NOTE: No nominations were submitted to the Senate during the period covered by this issue.

Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

Released April 18

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Mike McCurry

Announcement of the White House national campaign to protect the environment and create jobs

Released April 19

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Mike McCurry

Transcript of a press briefing by U.S. Ambassador to Turkey Marc Grossman, Senior Director of European Affairs, NSC, Alexander Vershbow, and Assistant Secretary of State for European and Canadian Affairs Richard Holbrooke on the visit of Prime Minister Ciller of Turkey

Transcript of a press briefing by Attorney General Janet Reno on the bombing in Oklahoma City, OK

Released April 20

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Mike McCurry

Released April 21

Statement by Press Secretary Mike McCurry on presentation of the Presidential Citizens Medals to Zachary Fisher, Lt. Gen. Claude Kicklighter, and Maj. Gen. Adrian St. John

Statement by Press Secretary Mike McCurry on the President's meeting with U.S. Ambassador to Burundi Robert Krueger

Acts Approved by the President

Approved April 17

H.R. 1345 / Public Law 104–8
District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Act of 1995

Approved April 21

S. 178 / Public Law 104–9
CFTC Reauthorization Act of 1995